

ISLANDS AS CABLE STATIONS

Small Groups of Land in Pacific Inhabited by Chief of Port and Several Others.

San Francisco, Cal.—When a submarine cable breaks in mid-ocean it would seem to one unfamiliar with such work that the location of the trouble would be a rather hopeless undertaking. This problem was recently presented to the Commercial Pacific Cable company when the cable from San Francisco to China, Japan and the Philippines refused to operate. The question was very easily settled, however, by the use of delicate electrical instruments which told the trouble existed on the coral reefs



Happy Family Group

which surround the two little Midway Islands. These islands are 1,000 miles from San Francisco and 4,217 miles from the Philippines, each consisting of a strip of land of only a few acres in area, one being known as Hull Island, or Western Island and the other Eastern Island, the cable station being located on the former.

In laying a transoceanic cable very high precaution is taken to keep the line free from trouble and to this end the right of way if it might apply such a term to the bottom of the sea, must be kept clear of weeds which will cause untold deterioration of the cable. In this instance, an unforeseen factor has arisen in the shape of a coral reef. The motion of the water sweeping the reef caused it to pile up over the rough bottom and thus choked the insulation and when subjected to the strain of the break, the cost of replacing it will amount to approximately \$100,000.

The population of Hull Island, the home of the cable station, consists of 23 persons, namely, the superintendent of the cable company and his wife, a chief operator and his wife, a physician, cable operators and a few laborers with two cows, two ducks, and some poultry. There is no governor, no mayor, no even a constable. It is a law abiding community and has no need of any machinery to enforce the law. At one time the United States had a few troops there, but they were withdrawn in the interest of economy, since their presence served no practical purpose.

Before the coming of the cable station, the island was totally uninhabited. As the result of turning loose two canary birds some time ago, the island now has a wild feathered family of over five hundred songsters.

CENTRAL AMERICAN VISITORS



Elis and Salvador, children of the new minister from Nicaragua. They were born in Nicaragua and are spending their first winter away from home. They are attending one of Washington's exclusive private schools.

OMITS "YES" AND LOSES SUIT

Girl Seeking \$10,000 for Breach of Promise Admits She Did Not Accept Suitor

Kansas City, Mo.—An emphatic "yes" and not a smile or a mere nod of the head must be given by the maiden proposed to in order to cover damages for breach of promise to marry according to a decision in the circuit court here. Linda M. Cooke of this city sued Barnett Sparks, 3789 Broadway, a horse and mule dealer for \$10,000 damages, but her attorney withdrew the case when the evidence developed the fact that she had not said "yes" when Sparks proposed, but took it for granted that he knew she would marry him.

POULTRY

DUCK RAISING IS PROFITABLE

Capital of \$1,000 Will Give Excellent Start—Business Requires Care and Watchfulness

For breeding ducks and drakes are never in their second year.

The duck laying season generally begins in February and ends in August, although the Indian runner ducks are credited with being year-round layers.

Hallock estimates that it costs an old 12 cents a pound to raise ducks up to the market age (ten weeks). This includes the cost of food, help, marketing, eggs, insurance, etc. All over the 12 cents in their profit from February to May the eggs show the strongest fertility.

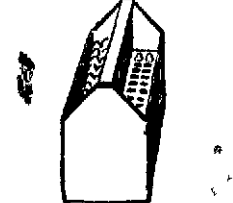
John Weber the well-known duck raiser in an address before the Poughkeepsie Farmers meeting at Lonsome some years ago said if one owns the land \$1,000 capital will give a start in the duck business. Such an amount he said would be sufficient to cover all expenses buy two large houses a flock of about 30 ducks, a house for the breeder, a brooding house and heater feed boards and water fountain wire fencing etc.

Such a plant would keep one man busy and the future growth of the plant could be built on the profits. The point to be remembered and strictly followed is to begin small, learn the business well and use every effort to get word results. This will require care, watchfulness and well equipped business principles. The duck business is of such a nature that if rightly carried on it is very profitable but disastrous if neglected.

TO CARRY EGGS SEPARATELY

Little Box Will Be Found Useful for Other Purposes Around Farm and is Easily Made

Where trap nests are used with a large number of hens sometimes it is desirable to keep the eggs of each hen separate as they are gathered. This is easily done in a carrying box such as is here shown. This box is made of light wood and will hold three



An Egg-Carrying Box

by eggs. The box may be numbered on the end to correspond with the pen boxes of this style will be found very useful for many other purposes about the farm, especially for carrying vegetables in from the garden. As shown in the illustration this box is simply constructed and may be available on any farm.

POULTRY NOTES

Feed before you water. Good food is economy. Oyster shells are not good left. Too much soft food is not good for the chicken.

Ventilation is more important than wheat in the poultry house. Watch out for lice and ticks. Let under the wing and top of the head. Throw your ashes into the poultry house and watch them enjoy it in their.

Time gravel is not the proper soil for poultry. They want a sharp material with which to rub their feet. The litter should be kept in a room where the temperature does not vary much during the day or night. Licks will become fertile in from four to six days after mating. The effect of mating will continue several months.

It is necessary to feed the brooding ducks liberally yet at the same time feed so as to keep them active and healthy.

The fowls need clean dry comfortable quarters during wet or cold weather. They will try for that kind but no others.

The eggs from infected hens will hatch better and produce stronger chicks than the eggs of pullets. They are usually better.

The best feeding place for young chickens is on branches of trees. They will not suffer from exposure, and the open air will make them strong and healthy.

If one begins with the chicks does things with deliberation, secret makes a sudden and unexpected movement even the most timid birds will become tame.

The white feathered broilers at ways have the more attractive appearance in market as the plum feathers do not show in they do in dress plumaged birds.

Soak stale bread in sweet skim milk press out the milk as completely as possible and feed the chicks. Also keep corn sand before them, without it the chicks cannot grind their food.

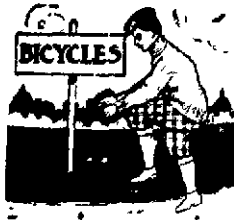
PROTECTING FOOD FROM DIRT

The movement begun by the women of Washington, D. C. to obtain the delivery of food properly wrapped so as to be protected from dirt and dust is eminently in accordance with modern sanitary principles. The danger of infectious disease lies particularly in such foods as are eaten in the household without further cooking. Dual constitutes one of the most frequent conveyers of infection. The movement should however apply to many other foodstuffs besides bread, fruit and vegetables are constantly exposed to dirt during the process of sale in large cities. The New York Herald. Such fruits as are not carefully peeled before being eaten are not dangerous under these circumstances. The banana and orange for instance are thoroughly protected by their skin. Apples and pears and other fruits that are commonly eaten without removing the peel are always dangerous if they have been exposed to street dirt. It would not be a difficult matter to enforce protection from dirt for such food materials to some extent at least health department regulations in large cities at ready do so. Now that the dirty season is upon us is the time to call attention to the need for reform.

Italy has the distinction available or otherwise of being the first power to engage practically in aerial warfare. It was made known some time ago that she was sending a number of experts and during operations to Tripoli equipped with aeroplanes and balloons of the most approved pattern and it was anticipated that in addition to scouting and observation work these would be employed in fighting. Now we are told that Italian dirigible balloons have been crashing over the lines and camps of the Turkish forces which are beleaguering the Italians and dropping bombs upon them. The effect of the aerial bombardment is not so serious but we may imagine it have been damaging and demoralizing to those who formed its target particularly as it is not known that the Turks have any guns suitable for returning the fire from above.

Four ounces of sulphate of potash mixed to a gallon of water makes a good solution for killing lice on horses. Benzene is also beneficial. Both applications should be rubbed in twice a week apart, in order to do the work thoroughly.

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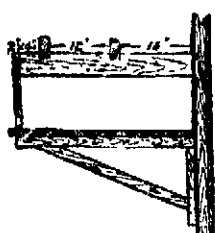
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As a general rule, small hens should have about six inches of perch space while the larger birds should be allowed eight inches. In the winter they huddle close together but in the summer they should be given room to allow them to spread out.



Perch for Chickens

Perches should be 12 inches apart and not over than 12 inches to the wall or ceiling. Show birds especially Leghorns, should have perches kept at a certain distance from walls and ceiling. Many good birds are spoiled by crowding their tails against the walls.

There are several methods of making movable perches. One of the most common is by hanging them to the wall at the back.

Fertility of Eggs

The disposition of the male bird has considerable influence on the fertility of the eggs. A male bird is not fertile until he has driven hens from the feed and gape down upon them. Many good birds are spoiled by crowding their tails against the walls.

On the other hand, the too gallant male will stand back while the hens are helping themselves. This condition is caused by the greedy bird for he is not satisfied and has not the proper strength to fertilize.



ADVANTAGES OF TRAP NESTS

By Use of Device Number of Eggs Laid by Each Hen May Be Ascertained Without Trouble

The primary object of a trap nest is to develop a heavy laying strain. It has been found by the use of trap nests that the number of eggs laid per hen in an average flock varies from 40 to 245. Without using trap nests the results from such a flock would be uncertain and probably unsatisfactory. It is the object of the poultryman to breed and build up the strain which lays the heaviest, by breeding to the heavy producers.

For fanciers, the trap nest is indispensable on account of the fact that in the ordinary pen there are from six to 12 females to one male. If trap nests are used, and there are as many males as there are females in the pen, it is possible to distinguish each hen's eggs while the trap nests are not used this is impossible.



Sectional View of Nests

The use of trap nests goes far to prevent the hens forming the habit of egg-eating. They are likely to form this habit if kept in limited quarters. If so kept, they are probably not given the very best food and probably not enough of it especially animal food.

The accompanying drawings of a bank of trap nests are self-explanatory. The nests are built without any top or bottom. The hen enters through the back of the nest brushing under the hanging wire which releases the door. She then passes on to the next compartment toward the front and to inspect the nest, and to remove the hen, ascertain her number and secure the eggs, the front door is simply unbuttoned, and let down. It will be noticed that the two doors are fastened together with a cord so that when the front door is let down the trap is automatically set again. The hen will find it difficult to leave through the back door at this time as the hanging wire permits her to go one way only. These are so simple that in making them in almost any quantity, the material should not cost over 15 cents, at most per trap nest.

Children's Wear.
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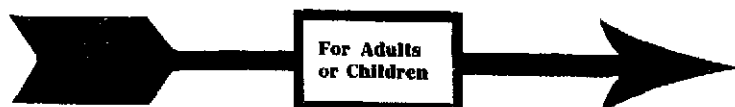
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Mr. Jones, in an interview with an Atlanta paper, told of being born and bred in this community where he began as early as he could remember preaching to his little flock. He states that he was converted when only 11 years of age and at the age of 16 was ordained a preacher. Since that time he has kept his good work up and has risen to be one of the greatest evangelists of the country. Before being ordained he taught school near here in Dale and Geneva counties and began speaking, before the public when very young.

He was born near Dothan where many of his relatives reside at the present, and where he held a telling meeting several years ago when the dispensary was closed in this city.

SUMMER SCHOOL AT DOTHAN.

The Summer School at Dothan opens Monday, June 3rd and continues five weeks.

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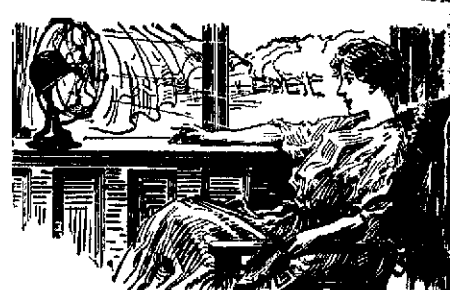
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